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In re Application of:

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For Patent For:

**THIADIAZOLEDIOXIDES AND
THIADIAZOLEOXIDES AS CXC- AND CC-
CHEMOKINE RECEPTOR LIGANDS**

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed March 15, 2006.

Applicants believe this amendment removes issues for appeal and places the claims in condition for allowance. Applicants also believe this amendment places the claims in better form for consideration on appeal. In view of this reconsideration and favorable action on the claims is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the claims are on pages 2-97